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CHAT WITH THE CHAIR

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Dear Friends,

The County Board is in recess during August, but there are still lots of things happening in Milwaukee County this month. We are moving forward on the redevelopment of the Downtown Transit Center site, which promises to create thousands of jobs, including for women and minorities. We still have one more month of summer, so there's still plenty of time to enjoy our Milwaukee County Parks, pools and golf courses. See you soon!

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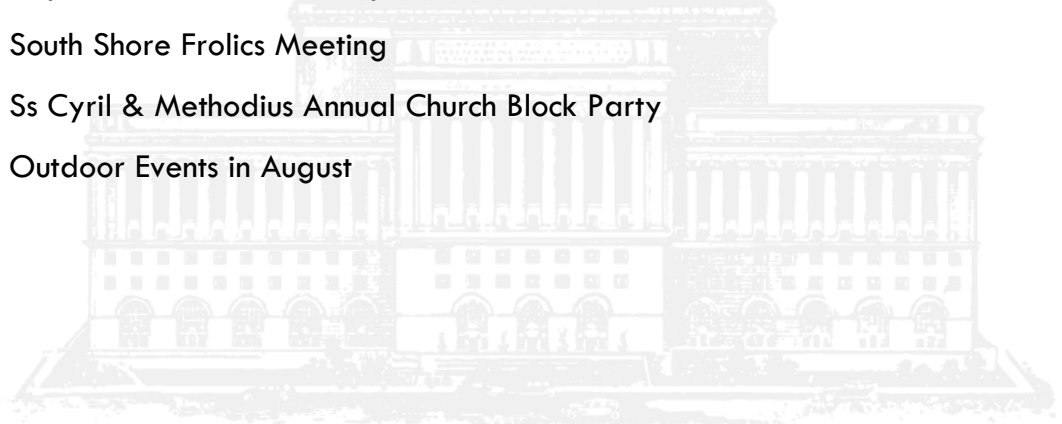
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Downtown Transit Center Update

BOARD TAKES LEADERSHIP ROLE ON DOWNTOWN TRANSIT CENTER REDEVELOPMENT

Negotiations will prioritize public benefit

The County Board has unanimously recommended negotiations with Barrett Visionary Development for the possible purchase of land currently housing the Downtown Transit Center.

“Now that the Administration finally has presented the Request for Information responses to the Committee, we have moved forward. The County Board’s approach to the development of this valuable real estate is thoughtful and deliberate,” Chairwoman Dimitrijevic noted. “The Committee will continue to engage citizens by holding public hearings before approving a final development agreement.”

“We are committed to the highest standards in hiring and contracting and look forward to providing prevailing wage jobs on the Couture project, including adhering to the spirit of the hiring goals that have been established in the PERC,” developer Rick Barrett said. “This has been a positive, productive process. It’s been a pleasure to work with Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, the County Board and County Executive Abele on one of the most exciting projects in Milwaukee’s history.”

The resolution approved by the Board includes the following protections and benefits for the citizens and taxpayers of Milwaukee County:

- Stimulate the economy and create jobs by incorporating County’s Park East Redevelopment Compact (PERC) to provide community benefits, including employing minorities and women from Milwaukee County
- Determine whether any portion of the site is in filled lakebed subject to the public trust doctrine
- Solicit fair market value for the property
- Ensure that sale proceeds can be reinvested into transit services

Safety in our Parks

During the past month, our office has received an increased number of contacts regarding the safety and overall cleanliness of South Shore Park.

Neighbors of the park have reported damage and vandalism to the South Shore Park Pavilion, unruly individuals and excessive litter strewn across the park.

Those contacts prompted a discussion of solutions at the July 12th South Shore Park Watch Meeting in the South Shore Pavilion.

My office coordinated representation from The Milwaukee County Parks, Milwaukee Police District 6 and the Milwaukee County Sheriff’s Office.

After presentations from Parks, Police and the Sheriff’s Office, neighbors had an opportunity to ask questions. Most asked what part they could play in helping to keep South Shore Park safe and secure. The Milwaukee Police emphasized the importance of bringing law enforcement attention to any potential problems. If neighbors see activity happening, they are encouraged to call 911. If they are noticing a trend, they should call the non-emergency number: 414-933-4444.

Please join your neighbors in being vigilant and in calling law enforcement so that we can continue to have one of the best parks in Milwaukee County!

Results of July County Board Meeting

In the July meeting, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors took several actions. Some items of note were: the “Move to Amend” resolution, to approve an advisory referendum on whether the U.S. Constitution should be amended to establish that only human beings, not corporations, are entitled to Constitutional rights, and money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech, passed 14-4. The supporting resolution for the Bay View Artistic Bus Shelter also passed 15-3, and the “Ready to Work” contract was approved 17-1. To view a brief summary of the results of the July County Board meeting click [here](#).

Chairwoman's Corner

Chats with the Chair

Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic is pleased to announce the success of her fourth "Chat with the Chair," graciously hosted by the Village of Brown Deer and its leadership. Residents met the Chairwoman, asked questions about County government and began a dialogue about how Brown Deer and Milwaukee County can work together even better.

"We are making a sincere effort to unify Milwaukee County, and a key part of that effort is holding listening sessions in all 19 cities and villages in Milwaukee County," said Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, who is riding the bus to each Chat with the Chair. "I thank Brown Deer Village President Carl Krueger for hosting this event and opening up his Village Board chambers to us."

Topics at the Brown Deer Chat with the Chair included the Downtown Transit Center plans as well as the Estabrook Park pond.

St. Francis hosted the previous Chat with the Chair in mid-July. Topics at that listening session included paramedics funding and the "Move to Amend" referendum.



Above: Sup. Lipscomb, Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, President Krueger

Below: Sup. Jursik, Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, Mayor St. Marie-Carls



ICC Vote

Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic is emphasizing her efforts to cooperate with all municipalities in Milwaukee County, despite a recent Intergovernmental Cooperation Council (ICC) 9-11 vote against enhanced cooperation with the County Board. The ICC consists of the Milwaukee County Executive and the mayors and village presidents of Milwaukee County. After the vote, Chairwoman Dimitrijevic released the following statement:

"The ICC vote was very close, and I appreciate the broad spectrum of support I received from all four corners of the County. ICC Chairman Tom Taylor shared that it's a new day and all municipalities are being heard by the County Board. It's clear that our outreach efforts are working. During my successful 'Chats with the Chair' in Franklin and Fox Point, residents expressed their interest in preserving paramedics funding, improving our parks, and maintaining County Trunk Highways. I will continue to hold these Chats to hear directly from residents.

"I thank Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett for understanding the need to work with the County Board. At the same time, it's too bad that County Executive Chris Abele didn't cast the same vote for cooperation as Mayor Barrett. Actions speak louder than words. It's clear that the County Executive and I have different leadership styles. I've shown that I am comfortable having all views at the table.

"We've come a long way already in recent months. I have enjoyed meeting and working with our partners in local government, and I am committed to enhancing these relationships. But, I also realize that it will take time to reach a mutual spirit of cooperation with these nineteen municipalities."

Below: The Village President addresses Chairwoman Dimitrijevic at the Brown Deer Chat with the Chair



Recently in Milwaukee County

July 4th Parade Marshall

Milwaukee County Board Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic is honored to have served as the Grand Marshall of this year's Humboldt Park 4th of July Parade — the oldest 4th of July parade in Milwaukee!

The Humboldt Park 4th of July Parade is organized by the Humboldt Park Fourth of July Association and celebrated its 102nd year.

Pictured below: Team Marina July 2012



Green Print Update

In 2007, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and County Executive approved the Green Print Initiative, designed to promote practices intended to control operating costs and to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Milwaukee County through sound environmental stewardship. The initiatives include goals specific to Sustainable Construction, Resource Management, Alternative Energy, Education and Procurement.

Sponsored by Milwaukee County and Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful, the first annual Earth Month seminar was held on at the Zoofari Conference Center this past spring. The theme of the seminar was “Environmental Awareness and Recycling in the Workplace,” and it featured keynote speaker Ryan Griffin of MillerCoors Asset Management Systems.

Griffin shared news of MillerCoors sustainability innovations as well as some powerful facts about energy usage in America. For example, as less than five percent of the world's population, Americans now create 35 percent of the world's garbage. To combat waste, MillerCoors created the 40oz PET bottle, which reduces material volume by approximately 102,000 tons a year and lowers the carbon footprint per bottle by 25 percent.

To read more about other seminar topics, visit the following link: <http://kgmb.org/kgmb/index.php?id=69>

Green Print News

Conserve Water! Install a Rain Barrel!

A rain barrel collects and stores rainwater from your rooftop, which you later can use to water your lawn or garden or to wash your car. Rain barrels should be used in conjunction with other water management practices, such as rain gardens, green roofs, stormwater trees and porous pavement. But using a rain barrel is a great first step to better water usage. For more information, or to order a rain barrel, go to www.kgmb.org.

- Rain barrels help slow down rain runoff so it can drain naturally into the ground. This helps us keep excess water out of sewer systems and keeps rain runoff from collecting pollutants on its trip to nearby waterways.
- Collected rainwater is better for plants because it's not chlorinated. While it is mildly acidic, it helps plants take up important minerals from the soil.
- Rain barrels can provide water during dry weather, or you can set them to slowly release the water during a one to two-day period when the rains have subsided.

New Green Roof at Mitchell Park Conservatory

A green roof is being placed on top of the flat roof of the building connecting the iconic Mitchell Park Domes. The green roof is composed of a thin layer of soil and vegetated with a class of plants called sedums that flower but maintain a low profile.

Green roofs help to reduce the volume of storm water runoff to sewers and also help reduce energy costs thanks to their insulating effect. Because the roof is not accessible to the public, an educational kiosk will be constructed inside the building to explain the green roof creation and its associated benefits.

Save the Date

Open Swim at County Pools

The 2012 Milwaukee County Parks' Splash Pad and Wading Pool season is going swimmingly!

Did you know Milwaukee County residents can rent outdoor pools and aquatic centers for events and private gatherings? Residents can also obtain season pool passes at all outdoor Milwaukee County pools, Community Centers, and the County Parks Administrative Office, located at 9480 Watertown Plank Rd. in Wauwatosa.

For more information go to countyparks.com, call the Aquatics Office at (414) 257-8098 or call the 24-hour Pool Hotline at (414) 257-7230.

Now Open!

Splash Pads

Carver	11-5
Clarke Square	11-5
Dineen	11-5
Gordon	11-5
Madison	11-5
Washington	11-5

Waders

Cannon	12-4
Columbus	11-3
Cooper	11-3
Pulaski-Cudahy	1-5
Rainbow	10-2
Rose	12-4
Smith	12-4
Tiefenthaler	12-4
Vogel	12-3
Walker Square	1-5
West Milwaukee	10-2

Waders (continued)

Alcott	1-5
Algonquin	10-2
Greene	1-5
Humboldt	10-2
Jacobus	1-5
Kops	12-4
LaFollette	11-3
Lindsay	1-5
Lyons	12-4
Mitchell	12-4
Saveland	10-2
Sherman	1-5
Tippecanoe	11-3
Wahl	12-3
Wedgewood	10-2

Upcoming Chats With the Chair

The next Chats with the Chair will be in Wauwatosa, Glendale and Oak Creek. Times and dates will be announced soon.

South Shore Farmer's Market

The South Shore Farmers' Market is located in beautiful Bay View directly across from Lake Michigan in South Shore Park (2900 South Shore Drive). The market operates every Saturday through October 13, 2012, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Bay View Historical Society Events

Historical Walking Tour: Sat., August 4, 9 a.m.

Brinton House open to public: Sat., August 18, 1 to 4 p.m.

South Shore Frolics Meeting

Join Alderman Tony Zielinski for a review meeting of the South Shore Frolics, Wednesday August 1st, 6 p.m. at the South Shore Park Pavillion.

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Block Party

Join Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church for their annual block party, on September 12. The party will be in front of the church located at 2505 S 30th St. Food will be served at noon and the event goes until about 3 p.m.

Save the Date

Outdoor Events in August

Festivals and Fairs

Wisconsin State Fair | August 2 - 12
State Fair Park, 640 S. 84th St.
\$9, \$6 seniors, \$5 children, kids 6 and under free

African World Festival | August 4 & 5
African heritage festival
Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N. Harbor Dr.
\$12 in advance, \$17 at the gate

Navy Week | August 8 - 13
A celebration of the bicentennial of the War of 1812,
featuring ships, sailors, music and more

Morning Glory Fine Craft Fair | August 12 & 13
Downtown fine arts festival
Red Arrow Park, 929 N. Water St.

Irish Fest | August 16 - 19
Maier Festival Park, 200 N. Harbor Dr.
\$15, \$10 seniors. \$5 admission on Thursday

Zoo a la Carte | August 16 - 19
Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 W. Blue Mound Rd.
\$13.25, \$12.25 seniors, \$10.25 kids 3-12

Milwaukee Domes Art Festival | August 17 - 19
Art among the flowers
The Domes, 524 S. Layton Blvd.
\$8

Mexican Fiesta | August 24 - 26
Henry Maier Festival Park, 200 N. Harbor Dr.
\$13

Weekly Events @ County Parks

Mondays	Music Mondays Lake Park 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Tuesdays	Chill on the Hill Humboldt Park 6 to 8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays	River Rhythms Pere Marquette Park 6:30 to 9 p.m. Live @ Lakefront Discovery World 5:30 to 9 p.m.
Thursdays	Jazz in the Park Cathedral Square 6 to 9 p.m.
Fridays	Fish Fry & a Flick Discovery World Dusk
Saturdays	South Shore Farmer's Market South Shore Park 8 a.m. to noon

Lakefront Events @ Bradford Beach

Malibu Open Water Ski Competition | August 3 & 4

Bradford Beach Jam | August 3 - 5

Jose Cuervo Pro Beach Volleyball Series | August 4 & 5

Milwaukee Air and Water Show | August 11 & 12